



30th Bombardment Wing
 After Action Report
 Mission 9 – Kobe, Japan
 December 28, 1944

A. Synopsis:

1. Target: Kobe
2. Type: Urban
3. Assigned: 42
4. Number Flew: 36
5. Reached Target: 28
6. Aborts: 11 (5 unexcused, 1 excused, 5 mission related)
7. Plane Losses: 6 KIA: 51, WIA: 1, POW: 10, Rescued: 3
8. Hit Target: 16
9. Missed Target: 12
10. Japanese fighters claimed shot down: 14
11. Japanese fighters claimed damaged: 16
12. Bombing accuracy: 31% (rounded up)

B. Squadron Breakdown:

781st BG: 900th BS

Name	Sq	Result	%	Notes	ESD	EDMG
St. Paddy's Wagon	900	On	60%	Returned	0	0
Tropical Gal	900	Off	0%	SD Flak	0	3
Thunderbird	900	On	50%	Returned	0	0
Manticora	900	Unx				
Thor's Hammer	900	On	60%	Returned	0	0
Barnacle Bill	900	On	50%	Returned	0	0
Marvelous Maribel	900	On	40%	Returned	1	1
		5/1/1/1	43%		1	4

901st BS

Georgia Maid	901	Abort	NA	Returned	0	0
Infamous Device	901	Off	1%	Returned	0	2
Dangerous Curves	901	Off	0%	Returned	0	0
Heart Breaker II	901	Off	0%	Returned	1	0
Pacific Princess II	901	Off	0%	LAS	0	2
Risin' Sons	901	Off	0%	Returned	3	0
Shack Bunny	901	On	95%	Returned	1	1
		1/5/0/1	14%		5	5

902nd BS

Sushi Machine	902	Abort	NA	Excused	0	0
England Expects	902	Unx				
You Started This	902	Abort	NA	Returned	0	0
Little Princess	902	Abort	NA	Returned	0	0
Tropical Flyer	902	Off	0%	Returned	1	0
Fire of the Almighty	902	Off	0%	Returned	0	0
Chum Bucket	902	Off	0%	Returned	0	0
		0/3/4/0	0%		1	0

782nd BG: 903rd BS

Fenway	903	Unx				
Paris' Angels	903	Abort	NA	Returned	0	0
Debbie's Revenge	903	On	30%	Returned	0	0
Box Car II	903	Unx				
Freedom Fighter	903	On	50%	Returned	2	0
Cherokee Strip	903	Off	0%	LAS	0	0
Death March	903	On	60%	SD Flak	0	0
		3/1/3/2	35%		2	0

904th BS

Last French Bet	904	Abort	NA	Returned	0	0
Bitchin' Babe	904	On	40%	Returned	1	1
Snake Eyes	904	Unx				
Swing Lover	904	On	40%	Returned	1	0
Trouble in Paradise	904	On	40%	Returned	1	0
Boys from Brooklyn	904	Off	0%	SD Flak	0	0

Ready Rosie	904	Off	0%	Returned	0	0
		3/2/2/1	24%		3	1

905th BS

Irish Rose II	905	On	30%	Returned	1	1
Catalina Kitty	905	On	60%	Returned	1	2
Lucky Lucille	905	On	100%	Returned	0	1
Silver Eagle	905	On	40%	Returned	1	1
Tupelo Tiger	905	Off	0%	Returned	0	0
Rude Awakening	905	Off	0%	Returned	0	0
French Kiss II	905	Off	5%	SD Fighters	1	1
		4/3/0/1	34%		4	6

C: The following planes are on probation:

Manticora
England Expects
Fenway
Snake Eyes

D. The following planes are grounded permanently:

Box Car II

E: Final Result:

1. Explanation of score: the number of off target results is subtracted from the number of on target results, in this case yielding a +4. For each plane lost, 1 is subtracted from this result. If the number of planes that aborted (unexcused) is 25% of the group total that reached the target, 1 is subtracted from this result.
2. Wing Bombing percentage is $10 - 14\% = +1$, $15 - 19\% = +2$, $20 - 24\% = +3$, over $25\% = +4$
3. Final Result:

Number of planes hitting the target: 16

Number of planes missing the target: 12

Result: +4

Planes Lost: 6

Result: -2

Aborts (unexcused): $5 (> 25\%) = 0$

Result: -2

Bombing percentage: $25\% = +4$

Final Result: +2

D: Victory Level:

The US earned a victory for Mission 9.

Victory Chart:

5+ = Major Victory

3-4 = Moderate Victory

1-2 = Minor Victory

0 = Draw

-1 or lower = Japanese victory